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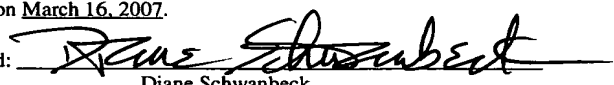
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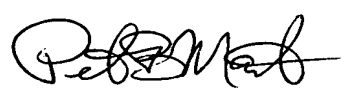
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Reference L is in the Japanese language. The relevance of Reference L may be ascertained by reviewing the attached machine-generated English translation of this reference and the corresponding English language abstract (see Reference R).

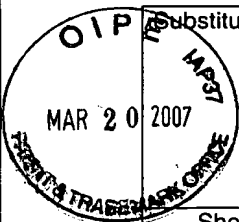
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